



United States Courts for the Ninth Circuit

2 Bankruptcy Judgeship Opportunities Central District of California - Los Angeles

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit invites applications from highly qualified candidates for the position of Bankruptcy Judge for the Central District of California. One position will be available in February 2006, and the other in May 2006. Persons selected will maintain chambers in Los Angeles, but may be required to travel to hear cases in the other divisional offices in the district.

The term of office is 14 years with a possible renewal appointment subject to applicable reappointment procedures. The current salary is \$149,132 per annum. No relocation expenses are payable.

The Court of Appeals uses an open and competitive selection process. All applications are screened by a Local Merit Screening Committee which selects a limited number of applicants for interview. The committee also contacts references of the interviewees. From the initial group of interviewees, a small number of applicants is referred for further interviews by a committee of circuit judges which then submits a recommendation to the Court of Appeals. The court's nominated applicants will undergo FBI and IRS background investigations prior to appointment.

Basic qualifications for consideration include: (1) admission to practice before the highest court of at least one state or the District of Columbia; (2) membership in good standing in every bar in which membership is held; and (3) at least five years of legal practice experience (certain other legal experience may be substituted). Applicants are considered without regard to their race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, disability, or sexual orientation.

Application forms and more information may be obtained by calling, writing, or faxing a request to the address and telephone numbers listed below. The application may also be downloaded from our website at www.ce9.uscourts.gov (click "documents"). Printed application forms are also available at all clerks' offices of all district and bankruptcy courts in the Ninth Circuit. The application is quite lengthy, and therefore applicants are advised to allow sufficient time to complete and submit it prior to the submission deadline. **Applications must be in the format required by the Ninth Circuit.**

Letters of reference are optional, but in order to be considered such letters must be submitted with the original application. Application forms and disks may be obtained from:

<u>Parcel/Express Delivery</u>	<u>U.S. Mail</u>
Office of the Circuit Executive	Office of the Circuit Executive
95 Seventh Street, Suite 429	P.O. Box 193939
San Francisco, CA 94103-1518	San Francisco, CA 94119-3939
Attn: Bankruptcy Recruitment, CAC	Attn: Bankruptcy Recruitment, CAC
Telephone: (415) 556-2000	Fax: (415) 556-6179

**Deadline for receipt of all completed application materials:
Tuesday, May 31, 2005, 5 p.m.**